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VALUABLE SUGGESTIONS.

When a person is wet he ought never to stand, but continue in motion till he arrives at a place where he may be suitably accommodated. Here he should take off his wet clothes, to be changed for such as are dry, and have those parts of the body which have been wet, well rubbed with a dry cloth. The legs, shoulders and arms are generally the part most exposed to wet; they should therefore, be particularly attended to. It is almost incredible how many diseases may be prevented by adopting this course. Catarrah, inflamations, rheumatisms, diarhœas, fevers and consumptions, are the foremost among the train which frequently follow an accident of this kind.

It should be a determined rule to avoid all rapid transitions from one extreme to another and never to remove from highly heated to a fresh or cold air, while the body remains warm, or till the necessary change to a warmer dress has been previously made. If at any time the body should be violently heated, during the warm weather, it is sure to suffer by going into vaults, cellars, ice houses, by cold bathing, or by sitting on cold stones or damp earth.

Many lingering or incurable maladies have followed such imprudence, nay, instant death has, in some instances, been the consequence of such transgression. Pulmonary consumption, which makes annually such ravages among the young and middle aged, has been frequently induced by such apparently trifling causes.

Rise early and never sit up late.

Wash the body every morning with cold water, by means of a large sponge, and rub it dry with a rough towel, or scrub the whole of the body for ten or fifteen minutes with flesh brushes.

Drink water, and avoid spirits, and fermented liquors.

Sleep in a room which has free access to the open air.

Keep the head cool by washing it when necessary, with cold water, and abate feverish and inflamatory symptoms when they arise by persevering stillness.

Correct symptoms of plethera and indigestion by eating and drinking less per diem for a few days.

Never eat a hearty supper, especially of animal food; and drink wine, spirits and beer, if necessary, only after dinner.

Keep the body open by the free use of the syringe, and remove superior obstructions by aperient pills.

THE OLD ADAM.—It has been said that the war has produced an increase of profanity and the other attendant vices. This is untrue. War serves only to reveal and unmask character; it does not materially change it. The man who is a profane swearer, a drunkard, or a thief or worse now, possessed these traits before the present unsettled state of society, is only the occasion for their display. The soldier who steal his comrade's haversack now, had it in his heart to steal before he became a soldier—he was restrained only by public sentiment or the fear of punishment, or deterred from the execution of his designs by the absence of a good opportunity.

The man who demeans himself disrespectfully before unprotected ladies now, would have done so before the war but for the fear of corporal punishment at the hands of some male relative; the disturber of public worship when civil law is a nulity, was restrained aforetime only by a wholesome dread of the statutes made and provided for the punishment of the disorderly and the refractory.

The man who steals, embezzles, or otherwise appropriates Government money or property, would steal his neighbor's horse, or his ox or his purse, could he do so with as little fear of detection and punishment.

The official who makes seizures of private property upon a false pretence that he is so authorized by the Government, would be a highway robbet but for a wholesome dread of punishment.

The officer who abusive and cruel, unnecessarily severe now, was a hector before the war—he was only restrained by civil law.

The woman who is imprudent and immodest now, had it in her heart to be so before the war.

The man who makes a false return of tithes now, would have acted as did Ananias and Sapphira had he lived eighteen hundred years ago, and been similarly situated.—*Columbus Sun.*

SACREDNESS OF TEARS.—Dr. Johnson observes "There is a sacredness in tears. They are not a mark of weakness, but of power. They speak more eloquently than ten thousand tongues. They are the messengers of overwhelming grief, of deep contrition, of unspeakable love. If there were wanting an argument to prove that man is not mortal, I would look for it in the strong, convulsive emotions of the breast, when the soul has been deeply agitated, when the tears are gushing forth in crystal streams. Oh, speak not harshly to the stricken one, weeping in silence! Break not the deep solemnity by rude laughter or intrusive footsteps. Despise not woman's tears—they are what make her an angel. Scoff not if the stern heart of manhood is sometimes melted to tears—they are what help to elevate him above the brute. I love to see tears of affection. They are painted tokens, but still most holy. There is a pleasure in tears—an awful pleasure. If there were none on earth to shed a tear for me, I should be loth to live; and if no one might weep over my grave, I could never die in peace.

A TRUE CHIEF MOURNER.—The Vicksburg *Herald* relates the following circumstance:

During the fight at Big Black river on the 17th of May, 1863, a rebel was killed, who was buried by his comrades on the Western side of the river, near the breastworks which the rebels had thrown up to defend the crossing of the river.

A dog, which is supposed to belong to the deceased, has ever since stood guard at the grave, refusing to be seduced from his faithful guardianship of the remains of his dead master, or be comforted for his loss.

During the silent watches of the night his mournful howl could be distinctly heard, and though hundreds of our soldiers have endeavored to seduce him from his guardianship, he still remained faithful and refused to leave the grave. Up to the hour when the post was evacuated by our troops, the dog could be heard howling over the grave of his deceased master. Repeated attempts to capture him have made him shy, and for several weeks previous to the abandonment of the post by our army, he could never be seen at the grave; though his melancholy howl at night could be distinctly heard, and his tracks seen at the grave. If not dead, we have no doubt he still watches, a solitary mourner, ove rthe grave.

"A butcher, who lay upon his death bed, said to his wife:

"My dear, I shall soon be in another world. I advise you to marry, our man John, as he is a stout, good fellow, and will suit our business."

"Oh, dear husband," said she, "never let that trouble you; John and I have agreed on that matter already."

A Dublin student being asked what was meant by "posthumous works," promptly answered; "Such works as a man writes after he is dead!

DAILY CONSERVATIVE.

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"HOW IS GOLD TO-DAY."

BY JOHN G. SAXE.

There was a time when if we met
A friend upon the street,
He talked on common themes—the war,
The cold, or else the heat,
And took an interest in one's health;
That time has passed away;
For, no one asks us how we do,
But, "How is gold to-day?"

These words pervade the atmosphere,
At weddings, funerals, balls,
No matter where; upon our ear
The anxious question falls.
You go to see the girl you love,
To drive your cares away;
You kiss, and then she sweetly says,
"Oh! How is gold to-day?"

If gold is up or gold is down,
What good for me to know?
There is no jingle in my purse,
My funds are still in quo;
And so I hate the endless cry,
And long to soar away
To lands of peace, where no one asks,
"Well, How is gold to-day?

THE TWO LINES.

Some joker (undoubtedly wanting a rib)
Has lately delivered a humorous squib,
By asking if wits the difference can define
'Tween the old equinoctial and new crinoline.
So no one this circular riddle can solve,
Or begrudging perhaps, the time would involve,
The author responds to the general mirth—
One circles the heavens, the other the earth.

DISLIKE.

I hate long stories and short ears of corn,
A costly farm house and a shabby barn,
More curse than pigs, no books, but many guns,
Corned toes, tight boots, old debts, and paper duns.
I hate tight lacing, and loose conversation,
Abundant gab, and little information,
The fool who sings in bed, and snores in meeting,
Who laughs while talking, who talks while eating.

Confederate Tax Notice.

I WILL ATTEND WITH THE ASSESSORS AT MY office in the city of Raleigh, from Monday the thirteenth to Saturday the eighteenth of February, 1865, to receive the following taxes due the 1st day of January, 1865, to the Government, viz:

1st. The taxes on incomes, salaries and profits.

2d. The additional tax of ten per cent. on profits made by buying and selling from the 1st of January, 1864, to the 1st day of January, 1865.

3d. The tax of twenty-five per cent. on profits exceeding twenty-five per cent., made from the 1st of January, 1864, to the 1st of January, 1865, by any bank or banking company, insurance, canal, navigation, importing and exporting, telegraph, express, railroad, manufacturing or either joint stock company of any description, whether incorporated or not.

4th. The tax on quarterly sales for the quarter ending the 21st December, 1864

5th. The tax on licenses for the year 1865, due from persons engaged in the following named trade, business or occupation, viz: bankers, auctioneers, wholesale and retail dealers, pawnbrokers, distillers, brewers, hotels, inns, taverns and eating houses, brokers, commercial brokers or commission merchants, tobacconists, theatres, bowling alleys, livery stable keepers, cattle brokers, butchers, bakers, peddlers, apothecaries, photographers, lawyers, physicians, dentists, surgeons and confectioners.

All persons in arrears are very respectfully requested to make payment.

RUFUS H. PAGE.
Collector for Wake County.
January 28, 1865. 239—6t.

Office North Carolina Railroad Company,

COMPANY SHOPS, N. C., Jan. 28, 1865.

DIVIDEND No. 8. OF TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT. will be paid to the Stockholders on and after 1st of February, 1865, in Confederate Treasury Notes, or in the six per cent. non-taxable bonds at Government rates ($13½) at the option of the Company.

F. A. STAGG,
Secretary and Auditor.
January 28, 1865. 239—6t.

Gold for Bank Notes.

I AM EXCHANGING GOLD AND SILVER FOR Bank Notes.

THOS. BRANCH.
January 20, 1865. 239—3t.

Grindstones! Grindstones!

WE KEEP CONSTANTLY ON HAND FOR SALE A good assortment of superior Deep River Grindstones, weighing from 80 to 600 pounds.

SHAY, WILLIAMSON & CO.,
North State Iron and Brass Works.
January 28, 1865. 239—6t.

Pattern Makers Wanted.

WE WISH TO EMPLOY ONE OR TWO FIRST CLASS pattern makers. Apply at once to

SHAY, WILLIAMSON & CO.,
North State Iron and Brass Works.
January 28, 1865. 239—6t.

Iron! Iron!! Iron!!!

WE KEEP CONSTANTLY ON HAND ALL KINDS OF Plantation and Farmer's Iron, Shovel Iron, Nail Rods, Band Iron, Heavy Sheet Iron for making Hoops, Spades, &c

SHAY, WILLIAMSON, & CO.,
North State Iron and Brass Works.
January 28, 1865. 239—6t.

Cast Steel Axes.

WE HAVE FOR SALE SIX OR EIGHT DOZEN (5 AND 6 pounds) best steel axes.

SHAY, WILLIAMSON & CO,
North State Iron and Brass Works.
January 28, 1865. 239—6t.

BOXES EOR SOLDIERS.

ALL BOXES FOR SOLDIERS OR PRISONERS OF War from North Carolina, delivered to the following named persons will be promptly forwarded free of charge:

Sprague Brothers, Salisbury.
Dr. D. F. Summey, Ashville.
Dr. W. A. Collet, Morganton.
Dr. J. W. Allison, Statesville.
Dr. J. L. Neagle, Greensboro.
Mr. A Hagan, Charlotte.
Mr. Edward Hege, Salem.
Capt. J. N. McDowell, Raleigh.
Joseph A. Worth, Fayetteville.
E. Murry & Co., Wilmington.
Mr. F. L. Bond, Tarboro.
Mr. J. A. Askew, Colerain.
Mr. F. L. Roberts, Murfreesboro.

The boxes should be well hooped, properly marked, and delivered in time for my Special Messenger who leaves Raleigh on the first day of every month.

EDWARD WARREN,
Surgeon General, N. C.
Raleigh, Oc 29, 1864. 163—tf.

ROBBERY.

THE SUBSCRIBER WAS ROBBED OF A FOUR HUNdred dollar 4 per cent. Certificate of Deposit, dated March 19th, 1864, No. 121, issued to me by J. M. Worth, Dep. If not found within six weeks from this date application will be made for a duplicate. This the 20th day of January, 1865.

ALFRED CAVINESS.
January 24, 1865. 234—tf.

Post Quartermaster's Office, C. S. A.,

RALEIGH, N. C., January 16, 1865.

THE FOLLOWING CIRCULAR OF INSTRUCTIONS from the Secretary of War is published by direction of Major Kinsey Johns, Ins. Field Transportation, for the information of all concerned.

W. E. PIERCE, Capt. & A. Q. M.

War Department. C. S.,

RICHMOND, December 19, 1865.

Persons who may hire their slaves to Maj. J. G. Paxton and his assistants, for Government purposes, at schedule prices, shall have credit for the number hired, in the event of a future requisition for twelve months upon them for their slaves for Government use; and in the event of their loss, shall be indemnified in the same manner as if they had been impressed or sent voluntarily for Government use without contract.

(Signed) J. A. SEDDON,
Secretary of War.

Q. M. General's Office,

December 27, 1864.

Respectfully returned. Same authorized by Secretary of War to extend the same assurance in behalf of all other officers of this Department.

(Signed) A. R. LAWTON,
228—12t. Q. M. General.

S. T. WILDER,

Auction and Commission Merchant,
LOUISBURG, N. C.

Will make sales of real or personal property, merchandise, provisions, flour, grain, salt, &c., and solicits consignments. Franklinton is the nearest depot.
January 9, 1865. 221—tf.

JOHN D HYMAN,

ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW,
HENDERSONVILLE, N. C.,

WILL ATTEND PROMPTLY TO ANY BUSINESS IN the 8th Judicial Circuit that may be entrusted to his hands.
January 5, 1864. 218—tf.

HORSE COLLARS! HORSE COLLARS!!

P. Q. M. OFFICE,
Raleigh, N. C., January 19, 1865.

I WILL RECEIVE PROPOSALS UNTIL THE 22D DAY of February next, for the manufacture of ten thousand Horse and Mule Collars, similar to samples to be seen at my office.

Bidders must state the number which they can deliver per month.

W. E. PIERCE,
230—12t. Capt. and A. Q. M.

LAND FOR SALE.

A TRACT OF LAND CONTAINING 160 ACRES, FOUR miles east of Graham and two miles east of Haw River Depot, and only half mile from the N. C. Central railroad, and bounded in part by the waters of Back, Otter and Quaker creeks.

Terms: $5,000 in Bank Notes or $1,500 in a note payable on demand. For further particulars, address

W. F. BASON,
Haw River, N. C. R. R.
January 24, 1865. 234—tf.

FAUCETT, LONG & CO.,

AUCTION AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
GREENSBORO', N. C.

WILL GIVE STRICT ATTENTION TO THE sale of real and personal property, and solicits consignments.
January 27, 1865. 237—tf.

On Consignment and for Sale,

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Auction and Commission Merchants.
January 27, 1865. 237—tf.

Almanacs! Almanacs!!

TURNER'S ALMANACS FOR 1865 NOW READY.

Price per hundred	75 00
" " doz.	10 00
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BRANSON & FARRAR,
Raleigh, N. C.
Jan. 9, 1865. 215—tf.

WANTED TO RENT,

A SMALL HOUSE IN THIS CITY, WITH TWO ROOMS, or a part of a house, for a highly respectable family of refugees—a lady and children, the husband being in the field. Apply immediately at the

CONSERVATIVE OFFICE.
January 28, 2865. 238—tf.

JOHN G. WILLIAMS & Co.,

STOCK AND MONEY BROKERS,
Raleigh, N. C.,

CONTINUES TO CARRY ON THE BROKERAGE BUSIness at their old stand as heretofore in all its various branches.

$250 REWARD.

RANAWAY FROM THE SUBSCRIBER, A NEGRO MAN 27 years old, about 5 feet 10 inches high, good face, quick spoken, black, had on when he left home a blue home-made hat, brown frock coat, by name ERASMUS, raised by Washington Wilkerson, in Mecklenburg county, Va. I will give the above reward for his apprehension and confinement in jail, or for his delivery to me. He was sent to the breast works at Weldon, and the last heard from him he was making his way towards Weldon.

L. A. BLANKINSHIP.
Young's Roads, Jan. 25, 1865. 236—4t*

NOTICE.

WALTER A. THOMPSON WILL LEAVE HILLSBORO' for the army in Virginia, by the way of Danville, on Wednesday the 25th instant. All boxes properly marked and weighed, will be taken charge of and delivered.

The boxes sent to Kirkland's and Clingman's Brigades were sold at auction, and I am prepared to pay to the persons who sent them the amount for which they were sold.

W. A. THOMPSON.
January 20, 1865. 231—tf.

ORPHAN ENDOWMENT FUND.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS FUND MAY BE MADE to Geo. W. Mordecai Jno. G. Williams and W H Jones, Cashier.

C. F. DEEMS.
Raleigh, Oct. 29, 1864. 268—tf.

Post Quartermaster's Office, C. S. A.,

RALEIGH, N. C., January 18, 1865.

To the Farmers of Wake,
Orange and Chatham Counties:

I RESPECTFULLY APPEAL TO THE FARMERS OF Wake, Orange and Chatham counties, to bring in their surplus corn immediately, for the support of our army. I have obtained permission to pay Local Appraiser's rates for all grain delivered previous to 1st of February, 1865. I earnestly hope that patriotic producers will deliver their grain immediately, and relieve me of the unpleasantness, and themselves the mortification of resorting to rigid impressment, which I will be compelled to do on and after the 1st of February.

The following are the names of my authorized agents: Raleigh, J. J. Minetree; Forestville, J. W. Fort; Morrisville, A. J. Morris; and Durhams, W. P. Ward; Hillboro' to be filled and Pittsboro' to be filled.

W. E. PIERCE,
Capt. and A. Q. M.
January 19, 1865. 230—12t.

$2000 REWARD.

LOST OR TAKEN BY MISTAKE, A BOX MARKED "Maj. S. W. Reid, Wilmington." Any information in regard to it which will enable us to recover it, or any one leaving it at the Express office, will receive the above reward, and no questions asked.

A. P. C. BRYAN,
Agent So. Express Company.
January 17, 1865, 228—tf.

FIVE HUNDRED HANDS WANTED.

FIVE HUNDRED HANDS WANTED TO WORK on the grading and laying of the Chatham Railroad. The highest market price will be given, and hands well taken care of.

Also, 100 Carpenters.

Also, a Portable Steam Saw Mill wanted.

Apply to KEMP P. BATTLE.
President, Raleigh, N. C.
or to J. E. ALLEN, Sup't.,
Cary, N. C.
Dec. 8, 1864. 196—tf.

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The first Battalion Sharp Shooters is commanded by Captain R. E. Wilson; First Battalion Heavy Artillery, by Maj. Alexander McRae; Second Battalion N. C. T. (Infantry) by Maj. J. M. Hancock; Third Battalion Light Artillery, by Maj. J. W. Moore; Thirteenth Battalion Light Artillery, by Lieut Colonel J. R. Starr.

THOMAS' LEGION.—Col., W. H. Thomas, Lieut. Colonel, J. R. Love; Maj., W. W. Stringfield; Thomas' Legion, Lieut. Colonel., J. A. McKarney.

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NOTICE.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT I SHALL MAKE APplication to the General Assembly at its next session, to have the Warrenton Female Collegiate Institute at Warrenton, N. C. incorporated.

JULIUS WILCOX.
Jan. 19, 1865. 224—1m.

50 BOXES CAROLINA BELLE SNUFF FOR sale.

KINSEY & WARE.
Raleigh Dec. 22, 1864. 209—tf.

THE
CONSERVATIVE.

The following rates will be charged for all advertisements inserted in the DAILY and WEEKLY CONSERVATIVE:

ONE SQUARE OF EIGHT LINES, OR LESS

One day,	$ 5 00	One week,	$ 20 00
Two days,	10 00	Two weeks,	30 00
Three days,	15 00	Three weeks,	50 00
Four days,	20 00	One month,	100 00
Five days,	25 00	Two months,	200 00

When sent by letter, the money must accompany the advertisement. Obituaries, religious and other notices charged as advertisements and must be paid in advance.

CALENDAR FOR 1865.

1865.	Sunday,	Monday,	Tuesday,	Wednesday,	Thursday,	Friday,	Saturday,
Jan.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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Feb.			1	2	3	4	
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	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	26	27	28				
Mar			1	2	3	4	
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Claims for Deceased Officers and Soldiers.

WILSON, N. C., June 20, 1864.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS BEEN APPOINTED A COMmissioner to investigate, collect and pay over to the parties entitled thereto, all claims for bounty arrearages of pay and allowances, due to the representatives of deceased officers and soldiers from this State.

The parties entitled are: first, the widow of the deceased, if any, if there be no widow then, secondly, the child or children, if there be such, if there be neither widow or children then, thirdly, the father, if there be neither widow, child, children or father then, fourthly, the mother of the deceased, and in default of all of these then, fiftuly, the executor or administrator of the deceased.

The claimant or claimants must furnish his, her or their affidavit, and that of one disinterested witness as to the relationship, and in all cases, where the claimant is not the widow, the affidavit must negative the existence of a claimants of a higher order. The Justice of the Peace, before whom the affidavit is subscribed must certify to the credibility of the witness, and Clerk of the County Court must certify, under the seal of the Court, that he is a Justice of the Peace.

If the claimait or claimant be a child or children of the deceased; and he, she or they be minors, the claim must be propounded by his, her or their guardian, and the fact of his being guardian must be certified to, under seal of the County Court Clerk.

When the claims is made by an executor or administrator, the fact of the executorship or seal by the County Court Clerk.

All of these papers should be sent in duplicate.

Any person directly interested will be furnished, upon application to me, with a proper form of these papers in full; a copy of which, for the greater convenience of parties, will be forwarded as soon as may be practicable to each County Court Clerk.

This commission is intended to facilitate the collection of these claims, and save the claimants all expense.

Parties interested may materially aid me in the investigation of their claims, if at the time of forwarding the paper to me, they will inform me of the date of the death of the deceased, where he died, was killed, whether or not they or any one for them have received the personal effects which deceased had with him at the time of his death, and whether or not the deceased (if a non commissioned officer or private,) had ever received the State's bounty.

It is very desirable that all claims should be forwarded at as early as may be practicable. In all cases, give the claimants, Post Office and County in full.

NO. A. STANLY,
161—tf. Commissioner.

New Daily Paper in Richmond.

PROSPECTUS

THE undersigned propose to publish a daily paper, under the title of "THE RICHMOND HERALD," on or about the 15th of January next.

It will be entirely independent in politics, but will nevertheless accord to the administration a just support in all measures which, in the opinion of its conductors may be deemed promotive of the good of the cause in which we are engaged. A proper criticism of such acts as will be deemed adverse to this object, will be, of course, consistent with the independent character under which the paper is to be inaugurated.

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Arrangements are on foot by which to procure the earliest foreign news, and the paper will contain such editorial talent as will fully elucidate the bearing of foreign diplomacy upon Southern interests.

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RALEIGH, N. C.:
TUESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 31, 1865

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY. Three hundred and twenty-three new magistrates were made yesterday in the General Assembly, after an ineffectual effort in the Senate to prevent concurrence.

In the *Senate* the press exemption bill failed to pass its second reading, and Mr. Ellis' bounty (fifty acres of land and a negro fellow) resolutions were discussed.

In the *House* a resolution was adopted authorizing His Excellency, the Governor, to contract with Stuart, Buchanan & Co., for a supply of salt for 1865.

THE RUMORS in regard to the object of F. P. Blair's visits to Richmond have at length assumed a somewhat more definite shape.

The news of the appointment of Commissioners on the part of the Confederate government to proceed to Washington for the purpose of opening negotiations, show that our government is willing to treat, and taken in connection with Mr. Blair's visits present a reasonable probability if not an absolute certainty, that the Northern government possesses a like disposition. There is therefore some ground to hope that this terrible war may be drawing near to its close.—Certainly there has been men enough slaughtered, blood enough spilled, and the material interests of all parties have suffered sufficiently for the North as well as the South to desire a pause in the general progress toward ruin.—The long enjoyment of peace and prosperity, before the breaking out of this war, had engendered among the people in both sections too much pride and confidence in their own military prowess as compared with every body else. But surely there has been enough of experience now to bring down that vaunting pride to its proper level, and cause the sober second thought to succeed. If so why may peace, an honorable peace, not now be made? There have been numerous statements made by Madam Rumor, as to the definite propositions offered by Mr. Blair upon which, as conditions precedent, Lincoln would agree to make peace. To all these rumors we attach little importance. Whether Mr. Blair offered any propositions as conditions precedent at all, except the mere appointment of commissioners, we are at present wholly unable to say. If he did, however, the fact of the appointment of commissioners, would seem to say, that they were acceptable to our authorities, or at all events such as they were unwilling should stand in the way of negotiations. The war must be settled some time; and the interests of both sections demand that it should be done now, and we have little doubt that such would be the voice of a majority of the people in both countries if they had an opportunity to speak out. The recent events before alluded to, we think attest the fact that such is the feelings of our authorities and we hope that of the Yankee nation also. If so peace we trust is near at hand. But we must wait patiently for results. If no insuperable difficulties are interposed at the threshold, the negotiations may continue for a considerable time before anything definite is ready for announcement. And while it is allowable to hope for the best indeed it would be unnatural to do otherwise; we should not suffer ourselves to become over confident. It requires two to make a bargain. We are not prepared to say what ultimatums either may in the last resort design to present, and while we may hope and pray ardently for the aid of Providence in conducting the negotiations to a result honorable alike to both nations, and to humanity, we must recollect that negotiations are not synonymous with a treaty of peace, and that it is the part of wisdom and prudence while ardently desiring honorable peace, to be prepared as well as possible for any turn of things which may be thrust upon us, without any fault of our own. In the meantime we deem it inexpedient to indulge in an effort to settle in our sanctum the terms of the treaty; as such course pursued by the press generally might really embarrass our commissioners in any honest effort of theirs, toward an honorable settlement instead of giving them aid.

LEGISLATIVE. We regret to learn that Speaker Donnell's illness is such as still to detain him from the Commons. For several days past Judge Shepherd, though himself an invalid, has presided, but on yesterday being absent, Gen. Fowle occupied the chair. In the Senate Mr. Wm. R. Page, the obliging Principal Doorkeeper of that body, returned to duty yesterday, having just recovered from a severe and lengthened illness. An adjournment will probably be carried this week, but the general sentiment of either House seems strongly against its being *sine die*.

WE REGRET to learn that Wm. B. March, Esq., Senator rom Davie and Rowan has been at home for several days, quite sick. Hopes are entertained that he will be in his seat in a few days.

WE ARE REQUESTED to state that Judge Shipp has removed to Lincolnton, N. C. All letters and communications for him should be sent to that place.

A FRIEND OF OURS has handed us the annexed paper for publication. It is an acknowledgement by the 3d Va. Cav. of the timely aid furnished them by the "Ladies Knitting Club" of Warrenton, N C. We the more readily give it a place in our columns; not only for the high tribute which it shows the soldiers of Virginia are disposed to pay to our truly patriotic ladies, but also to our brave soldiers in the field. While the Virginia editors and "bomb proofs," constantly show a disposition to ignore or traduce us.

CAVALRY CAMP 3RD VA., REGT.,
January 19th 1865.

To the Ladies of the Knitting Club,
at Warrenton N. C.,

For your kind consideration in behalf of suffering soldiers, I with great pleasure acknowledge an indebtedness and assure you of our high appreciation of your most excellent gifts, as the chilling rains and cold snows were causing great suffering—your timely appropriation (35 pair socks) effected a happy relief and met the warmest response from thankful hearts. The noble example you have set in adding to the comforts of those who stand as a wall of steel between you and your enemies, should elicit the cordial support and co operation of all who feel an interest in the great struggle which has brought to early graves thousands of bright stars that grace the Southern cross. None can fail to admire and applaud your undertaking and I am glad that the old North State ever among the first and foremost shows not only by her fighting men in the field, but also by her patriotic ladies at home that she is with us heart and hand in maintaining our rights till the last vestage of manhood is swept from our sunny South. Such marks of approval such inducements to renewed exertion kindle the strong feeling of patriotism which tells us that like the gallant tar on the burning deck we must stand by the old ship till the last plank is gone,—the last hero falls. A cause so just and righteous cannot fail so long as we have the support and sympathies of the ladies. The historian will rejoice to record their past achievements which cannot be less brilliant in the future. If the men at home will cease croaking, act a noble, faithful part and resolve like men of the stamp of '76 rather to die as freemen than live the miserable minions of the father of this infamous war, we may soon expect the bow of peace to arch our Southern sky. Then ladies you will be amply compensated for your delightful labors, and the Southern boys will have a better opportunity for showing their appreciation of your kindness.

Most Respectfully,
Your grateful and obed't serv't,
JESSE S. JONES, Capt.
Old Dominion Dragoons 3d Va., Cavalry.

WE ARE indebted to the Hon. W. N. H. Smith for a pamphlet copy of the Report of the Secretary of the Navy.

WE HAVE received a letter from Jerusalem, Davie County ordering the Weekly *Conservative* and enclosing $10 with no name signed.

DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER.

The following proclamation has been issued by his Excellency the President of the Confederate States:

"The Congress of the Confederate States have, by a joint resolution, invited me to appoint a day of public fasting, humiliation and prayer, with thanksgiving to Almighty God.

It is our solemn duty, at all times, and more especially in a season of public trial and adversity, to acknowledge our dependence on His mercy, and to bow in humble submission beto e his footstool, confessing our manifold sins, supplicating His gracious pardon, imploring His Divine help, and devoutly rendering thanks for he many and great blessings which he has vouchsafed to us.

Let the hearts of our people turn contritely and trustfully unto God; let us recognize in His chastening hand the correction of a Father, and submissively pray that the trials and sufferings which have so long borne heavily upon as may be turned away by His merciful love; that His sustaining grace be given to our people, and His divine wisdom imparted to our rulers; that the Lord of Hosts will be with our armies, and fight for us against our enemies; and that He will graciously take our cause into His own hand and mercifully establish for us a lasting, just and honorable peace and independence.

And let us not forget to render unto His holy name the thanks and praise which are so justly due for His great goodness, and for the many mercies which He has extended to us amid the trials and sufferings of protracted and bloody war.

Now, therefore, I, JEFFERSON DAVIS, President of the Confederate States of America, do issue this my proclamation, appointing FRIDAY, the 10th day of March next, as a day of public fasting, humiliation and prayer, (with thanksgiving,) for "invoking the favor and guidance of Almighty God;" and I do earnestly invite all soldiers and citizens to observe the same in a spirit of reverence, penitence and prayer.

(SEAL.) Given under my hand and the seal of the Confederate States, at Richmond, this twenty fifth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

JEFFERSON DAVIS.

By the President:
J. P. BENJAMIN, Secretary of State.

BROKE JAIL.—We regret to announce that four prisoners from Yadkin county, confined in our jail in this place effected their escape on last Thursday night, the 19th inst.

They effected their escape by removing with the aid of a small augur, the window sill below the grating, and a portion of the brick wall, descending to the ground by means of the lower shutters and their bed clothing.

Their names were Wm. Willard, Benj. Williard, Lee Willard and Enoch Brown, and they were awaiting trial for resisting Militia officers in arresting deserters and participating in the killing of two citizens of Yadkin county some two years ago. One Sheriff offered a reward of $400 for them or $100 for either of them.—*Winston Sentinel.*

A FIRE—AN OLD LADY BURNED TO DEATH.—Yesterday about 11 o'clock A. M, the alarm of fire was given, and crowds of persons went running up Main Street to ascertain its whereabouts, and render any necessary assistance.

The fire was in one of the rooms of Dr. W. S. Green's dwelling house, and while the loss of property was but small, the consequence was most sad and tragical in another respect. Miss Experience Smith, an elderly lady, who had resided with Dr. Green's family for several years, occupied a room on the second floor of the house. It was discovered that there was an unusual smoke issuing from her apartment, and an effort was made to enter the room, when the door was found to be locked, and consequently entrance had to be forced.

She was found lying on her bed, burnt to death, and the bed clothes which were on fire were consumed. The house was not damaged by the flames.

Miss Smith was a Northern lady by birth, and many years ago was principal of a Female School in in this place. Of late years she has suffered from a partial loss of her reason, and it is thonght that this may account, in some way, for the sad occurrence which resulted in her death.—*Danville Register, Jan. 26th.*

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

SENATE.

MONDAY, January 30th, 1865.

Prayer by Rev. R. S. Mason, jr., of the Episcopal Church.

The committee on propositions and grievances reported the resolutions asking investigation in the case of Dr. Henry P. Ritter back to the Senate, with a recommendation they do pass.

The committee on the judiciary reported the bill to prevent the further sacrifice of property, (by the exaction of specie payment on executions) with a request to be discharged from the further consideration of the same, and were discharged.

A message from the House, transmitting appointments as magistrates was taken up and discussed. Pending this discussion, another message was received from the House, transmitting other nominations.

Mr. Pitchford moved these messages and accompanying lists be laid on the table. Not agreed to, yeas 11, nays 19, and the nominations (three hundred and twenty-three in number) were then concurred in by the Senate. (For Wake county were appointed A. P. C. Bryan, Jas. R. Chandler, Thos. C. Smith, E E Gill, Wm. R. Richardson, Garrett Broadwell, Jno. W. Johnson, and J. T. Leach.)

The hour of twelve arriving, the special order therefor, being Mr. Ellis' resolutions to give soldiers serving out the war a bounty of fifty acres of land and a negro fellow, was then taken up, and Mr. Ellis proceeded to support his resolutions at some length, advocating their passage on the ground that no one had a better right to land and negroes than the one who risked his life for their defence and possession, and saying in conclusion, he utterly scouted any idea of our now being, or hereafter being subjugated. At the conclusion of his remarks,

Mr. Grier moved to strike out the words "who was not a slaveholder at the time of such enlistment," in order to make the bounty as equal as the service. Agreed to, ayes 16, nays 10.

Mr. Patton moved to lay the resolutions on the table. Not agreed to.

Mr. Arendell moved they be referred to the Judiciary Committee, and the Senate so ordered.

The bill to exempt the employees of newspapers from Home Guard duty, save in certain emergencies, being on its third reading.

Mr. Dick moved to amend, by extending the provisions of the act to mill wrights. Not agreed to,—eleven in the affirmative to seventeen in the negative.

Mr. Leitch moved to exempt a deputy sheriff in counties where there is no tax collector. Not agreed to—13 in the affirmative to 15 in the negative, and the bill then failed to pass its third reading by fourteen in the affirmative to fifteen in the negative.

WOULD TALK OUT IN MEETING.

Mr Horton having moved an adjournment on Wednesday next, *sine die*, proceeded to say it was useless to put the State to enormous expense by waiting longer for commissioners, but was called to order by

Mr. Arendell, who stated it was out of order to refer to or discuss, in open session, matters that had been treated of with closed doors before the seal of secresy was removed.

The Speaker sustained the point of order raised, but Mr. Horton went on to say everybody knew somebody had been sent [laughter] and, for his part, he was not in favor of waiting till somebody came, for in this way, supposing somebody never came, the Senate would never be able to adjourn. [Renewed laughter.]

Mr. Leitch moved the resolution be referred to the Committee on adjournment. So ordered.

And the Senate then adjourned.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Mr. Fowle in the Chair.

A message was sent to the Senate transmitting a number of appointments as magistrates.

Mr. Brown of Mecklenburg, moved a message be sent the Senate proposing the adoption of a joint order of adjournment, *sine die*, on Wednesday next Feb. 1st at 9 o'clock, a. m.

Mr. Grissom moved the resolution be laid on the table and the House so ordered yeas 44 nays 34.

Mr. J. H. Hearden, moved an adjournment on Friday, the 3d of February, next, over to April 1st 1865. Informally passed over.

Mr. Sharpe introduced a resolution in reference to the Insane Asylum. (Calling for information as to the receipts from and expenditures on accounts of, the farm of said institutions, also the number of patients from other states and the expenditures incurred by their reception.)

Mr. McLean, a resolution in reference to the subject of salt, (authorizing his Excellency the Governor, to contract with Stuart, Buchanan & Co for a supply of salt for 1865, if deemed necessary) which under a suspension of the rules, was put upon its various readings and passed.

The following bills were then introduced, by,

Mr. Mann, a bill in regard to the magistrates of Pasquotank county.

Mr. Jordan, a bill concerning county surveyors.

Mr. Bond of Gates, a bill to create a homestead freehold, by exempting from taxation fifty acres of land, including that portion wherein the dwelling and necessary out houses are, the property of any citizen of North Carolina.

The bill to allow fifteen magistrates in the county of Halifax to transact county business therein, passed, under a suspension of the rules, its final reading.

The bill to amend the act authorizing the Governer to employ slave labor on fortifications etc., being on its second reading did not pass the same, yeas 19, nays 55.

The bill to restore jury trials in certain cases in the county of Chowan passed its second and, under a suspension of the rules its third reading.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of the people (taxing all collections in specie of executions 90 per cent,) being before the House it was moved it be tabled. Not agreed to yeas 38, nays 55, and, it was then informally passed over yeas 51, nays, 12.

A message was received from the Senate stating the concurrence of that body, in the nomination for magistrates made by the House.

And the House then adjourned.

RESOLUTIONS IN REGARD TO THE ARREST AND CONFINEMENT OF HENRY P. RITTER.

WHEREAS, It has been represented to this General Assembly, that on the 5th day of December, 1864, Henry P. Ritter, a citizen of the county of Chowan, was arrested at Weldon by Col. Perham, provost-marshal, and detained and sent to the city of Richmond by Col. P. C. Gaillard, and there imprisoned until released on demand of the Governor of this State; and whereas, the grounds upon which said arrest is represented to have been made were of so feeble and unsatisfactory a nature, as to raise a reasonable apprehension in the minds of all good citizens, that the same outrage may be perpetrated upon any one passing the said post at Weldon; and whereas, the harsh and cruel treatment of said Henry P. Ritter, by the authorities at Weldon, as represented to this General Assembly, can be viewed only as a base and inhuman use of power to oppress and torture, under the pretence of confining suspected parties. Therefore,

Resolved, That the Governor is hereby instructed to institute an immediate and searching inquiry into the circumstances of the arrest and detention of the said Henry P. Ritter, and should it appear that said arrest was based on insufficient grounds, or that his treatment after his arrest was unnecessarily harsh or severe, he should demand of the Confederate Government the immediate trial and removal of the said Col. Perham and P. C. Gaillard, and all other officers at said post voluntarily concerned in any part of said transaction that was contrary to law and right, or unnecessarily offensive or cruel in its execution.

Resolved, That the expenses attending this investigation be paid by the State, and that the Governor is hereby authorized to draw by warrant from the public treasury such sums as may be necessary for the same.

REMARKS OF MR. BENBURY IN REFERENCE TO THE CASE OF DR. H. P. RITTER IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

My object in offering these resolutions, with the accompanying letter, is to show to this General Assembly the position that the people of the eastern part of this State are placed in. After the fall of Roanoke Island a great many of the slaveholders from that section moved their negroes to the west, and it is absolutely necessary that they should go to look after them once or twice in a year. Now sir, the only thing these people ask for is right and justice, and I should like to know of this House if there is any shadow of justice in arresting a man on an anonymous letter, I should like to know if there is anything delegated to these men acting as provost marshals to act in any such manner? Our Constitution provides that no man shall be carried beyond the limits of this State for trial. In the present case which is not the only one, we find that men have been arrested without any evidence, and hurried beyond the limits of the State and immured in Castle Thunder or some other prison equally as obnoxious, but in the present case this gentleman was tried and no evidence could be produced. I think that justice would have required that he should at once have been released, but instead of being released he was remanded to Castle Thunder, where he was kept for three days longer. I think, Mr. Speaker, it is the duty of this General Assembly to express their disapprobation of all such action. Therefore, I hope that these resolutions will pass unanimously.

SHERMAN'S MOVEMENTS BELOW.

The enemy's movements below, since our last report have been mainly confined to the operations of foraging and scouting parties. At 9 a. m., on Wednesday a heavy column of infantry was reported to be marching on McPhersonville. Sherman and Howard are both said to be in Pocotaligo.—The Fifteenth Army corps is at Beaufort, and the Seventeenth Army Corps on the Main. The Yankees have burned the residences of Mr. Gregorie and Mr. Wm. Heyward, near Pocotaligo.—*Char. Mercury.*

Mr. Blair, peace missionary, left the city yesterday morning for Grant's lines by flag-of-truce boat. Nothing is known of what passed between him and the President during their frequent interviews. From what dropped from Mr. Blair's conversation with his friends here, some have inferred that he proposed some such visionary scheme as reconstruction, the South to retain its peculiar institution untouched, and the Yankees to pay for all the negroes they had stolen. Any speculations upon his propositions, if he made any, are very idle He will unbosom himself to Horace Greely, and everything connected with his mission here will be duly published in the New York *Tribune*. Let us have patience till that time.—*Rich. Dispatch, 26th.*

BLOCKADE RUNNERS.—The blockade runner Princess Royal, which was on her way from Bermuda to Nassau, has been lost. On the 2d instant, the steamers Confederate States and the Chicora are reported to have arrived from Charleston; the Syren and Little Hattie, also from Charleston, and that the Agnes E Fry and the Julia were entirely lost while trying to get from Charleston.

On the 18th inst, the rebel steamer, Col. Lamb, arrived from Nassau of 616 tons, and it is reported she is intended for a privateer; and on the 9th instant, arrived the steamer Lark, 267 tons, from Liverpool and Madeira, consigned to Charles J. Helen, the rebel agent in Havana; on the 12th instant, the Neva, which sailed on the 10th, returned in distress, but the general opinion is she was chased by a United States gunboat.

A MURDERER TO BE BURNED.—The murderer of Col. Joseph Johnson, of Tallapoosa, Ala., mentioned some days ago, proves to have been one of his own servants, who has been arrested, made a full confession, and will be burned to death.

FATAL RENCONTRE.—A rencontre occurred in Liberty, Bedford county, a few days ago, between Nelson A. Patterson, Esq, and Dr. Cephas Lowery, which resulted in the instant death of Mr. Patterson, from a pistol shot through the heart. Previous to the difficulty both parties had been warm friends relatives by marriage.

AN IMPORTANT DECISION.—We understand that the government has decided, in the case of Mr. Augusta Spann, late of Mississippi deceased, who was an exempted agriculturist, that where a detail or exemption was revoked, or the detailed or exempted party died, only a payment pro rata for the time the party enjoyed the detail or exemption, would be exacted. This decision was elicited from the Secretary of War by a letter from A. G. Mayer, Esq., on the subject of the liability of the estate of Mr. Spann, he having died a few months after he was exempted.

A NEW DODGE.—Admiral Porter has captured several blockade runners. These have been converted into war steamers, but they still retain their original color, (white) and their guns are concealed. In order further to deceive blockade runners, these vessels, while cruising, carrying the Confederate flag. By this plan Porter expects to capture the vessels bound for the Confederacy.

SHERMAN MOVING.—There is reasons to believe that Sherman is at last about to develope his plans for the remainder of his winter campaign. We have trustworthy intelligence that the bulk of his forces have been moved out of Savannah, and are now massed some little distance from the city, along the road leading to Augusta. We have nothing as yet, however, to indicate the direction to which he intends to march.—*Charleston Mercury.*

The Governor of Delaware strongly urges the abolishion of slavery in that State.

TELEGRAPHIC REPORTS.

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From Petersburg.

PETERSBURG, Jan 29.

During Church hours to-day a heavy cannonading was in progress on our line between ours and the enemies river batteries.

Messrs. Stephens, Hunter and Campbell, Commissioners, are in the city and will be passed by flag of truce through Bushrod Johnson's lines tomorrow. Their mission excites much comment in all circles.

Congressional.

RICHMOND, JANUARY 29.

The House rejected in secret session, after debate the proposition to amend the Senate bill for the employment of free negroes to work on fortifications &c., by a proviso that slaves should not be armed or used as soldiers.

The bill was further considered as amended and passed.

From Charleston.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 29.

Our scouts report the enemy's infantry camped near Ennis' Cross Roads on the road leading towards Grahamsville and on the road towards Sisters' Ferry. They have wagon trains with them. A reconnoitering force was reported within four miles of Robensville. This morning a small party of Yankees landed on Little Britain Island near Leganes on Saturday night, but were driven off.

From Mississippi.

JACKSON, MISS., Jan. 28.

Twenty-three houses and six hundred bales of Commissary and Quartermaster and other stores were burned at Summit this morning. Fire accidental.

A parsimonious sea captain, answering the complaints of his men that the bread was bad, exclaimed: "What? complain of your bread that is made from flour? What do you think of the Apostles? They ate "shew bread," made from old boots and shoes."

General Rosser, besides the prisoners taken at Beverly, captured a large number of small arms and clothing, sufficient to clothe his entire command, all of which he brought off safely.

The debt of Vermont amounts to $1,640,845, or $5.21 for each person in the State. The debt is principally funded, and is payable in 1871, 1874 and 1897.

The San Jose *Mercury* says the wife of Jose Castro, of Monterey, has given birth to thirty-six children, all of whom are living together in that country.

THE HORSE MARINES AT WORK.—A detachment of Confederate cavalry recently captured a Yankee gunboat on the Potomac.

The passage of emancipation laws in Maryland and Missouri will liberate about two hundred thousand slaves, and Kentucky will swell the number to two hundred thousand more. The Legislature of the latter State has adopted resolutions in favor of emancipation, the consent of the owners being obtained and compensation made. This is a preliminary. The consent of the owners will have to come and if necessary, the United States Government, which can make a promise and break it with equal facility, will hand over its "I. O. U." with the flourish of Mr. Skimpole, and, with a conscience at ease, consider the payment of the debt consummated.

GEN. LEE SANGUINE.—The Richmond correspondent of the *Mercury* says: "A distinguished member of Congress called on General Lee a few days ago, to talk over the state of the country. General Lee said he saw nothing in the military situation to justify despondency, much less despair.—His only fear was that the disease of depression might be permitted to spread among the people.—If this could be prevented, he was sanguine of success.

The death of one of the Democratic members of the New Jersey Legislature gives the Republicans a majority of one in the House, which has not hitherto been able to organize on account of the political tie.

CIRCULAR.—Among the circular orders issued by Major General D. H. Hill we find the following in the Augusta papers of yesterday. All noncombatants are respectfully requested to leave the city immediately. If their removal be delayed until the emergency shall arrive, no railroad facilities can be allowed them. In the class of non-combatants are included all young gentlemen who have no relish for the trenches. These are exhorted to leave at once under escort of the old ladies.

In addition, the Provost Marshal is ordered to close all places of *business* and *amusement*, and to see that all men under the age of fifty, not physically disabled, take their places in the ranks.

MARRIED:

On the 18th day of January, 1865, in Anson county, N. C, by Rev. J. W. Puett, LIEUT. JOHN A. POLK, of C. S. A., to Miss SARAH M. STURDIVANT, only daughter of Hollem Sturdivant, deceased, and Fannie S. Sturdivant, all of Anson.

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